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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 24, 2002, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I (Claims 1, 18-13, 20-29, 36-41, and 48-52).

Applicants reserve the right to pursue non-elected subject matter in one or more later filed divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part applications.

Applicants believe that the claims of the instant application meet all of the conditions for patentability and are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be due with this response. However, if it is determined that fees are due, please charge them to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 1803-343-999). A copy of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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